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**SUBJECT:** Preservation of Historic Structures

**Background.** Since 1993 USACE commanders have supported the preservation of historic buildings and structures under Army stewardship with a comprehensive program which includes design criteria, historic preservation guide specifications, training, and the establishment of a Center of Expertise (CX) for Preservation of Historic Buildings and Structures. The following paragraphs describe these initiatives in greater detail.

**Design Criteria. Technical Instruction 800-01, Design Criteria.** Chapter 16, Preservation of Historic Structures, provides an excellent orientation to historic preservation regulations, terminology, design issues, and technical resources.

**Specifications.** The following Corps of Engineers Guide Specifications (CEGS) are available from **TECHINFO** at <http://w2.hnd.usace.army.mil/techinfo/> and from the CX.

- 02226, Demolition and Salvage of Historic Building Materials (11/97)
- 03900, Restoration of Concrete in Historic Structures (12/97)
- 04900, Cleaning and Restoration of Masonry in Historic Structures (5/97)
- 07310, Slate Reroofing (2/95)
- 07320, Clay Tile Reroofing (2/95)
- 07650, Copper Sheet Metal Flashing (2/95)
- 08590, Wood Windows - Repair and Rehabilitation (8/97)
- 09905, Surface Preparation for Painting Wood and Metal of Historic Structures (1/98)

**Training.** Two courses in historic structures are offered through the PROSPECT training program. The courses assist working level persons in the divisions, districts, MACOM, and DEH/Public Works Centers to develop the skills needed to design and implement projects involving historic facilities. Course descriptions are available on the on the Architectural and Planning Team home page at [http://www.hq.usace.army.mil/comp/e/ea/comp\\_ea.htm](http://www.hq.usace.army.mil/comp/e/ea/comp_ea.htm).

**Center of Expertise.** Requests for technical assistance and service should be addressed to the technical center of expertise: Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Seattle, ATTN: Mr. Horace Foxall, CENWS-ED-DB-AC, P.O. Box 3755, Seattle, WA 98124-2255. Telephone (206) 764-4482/3614.

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